



# The Kitsap Wave



A Newsletter for Port Orchard Business and Professional Women

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**March 2015**

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*Meeting*

**Tuesday, March 10, 2015**

5:15pm Social/Networking  
5:30pm Dinner  
6:15pm Member Spotlight,  
Business & Planning  
Meeting

**Port Orchard Lighthouse  
Restaurant**

429 Bay, Port Orchard  
*Order from the Menu*

Make reservations with DeLona Kent at 360-871-0208.

### **President's Message...**

February has been a wonderful month with lots of Sunshine to brighten our days and bring out the smiles!

February 10th was a great planning meeting on what efforts we can do to get word out about our group. We will be updating our Facebook page and putting information in the local newspapers.

For March program, we will shine our **Member Spotlight on Claudia Heckart** at our March 10 meeting. Mrs. Heckart is the group's Secretary and is a Miniaturist. She will tell about her miniaturist hobby and display some of her award/ribbon winning miniature scenes and doll houses for close-up viewing. The Tuesday March 10 meeting will be held at Port Orchard's Lighthouse Restaurant, with Social/Networking/Dinner Ordering time at 5:15pm, followed by Dinner at 5:30pm and Member Spotlight and Business Meeting at 6:15pm. Guests are welcome, but

due to limited space, advance reservations are required. Please contact DeLona Kent at 360-871-0208 or

[delona@wavecable.com](mailto:delona@wavecable.com) or [PtOrchardBPW@outlook.com](mailto:PtOrchardBPW@outlook.com) by Friday, March 6, for reservations.

For our April 14 meeting, we have a special program topic on challenges and opportunities for small businesses by

**Melanie M. Norton**

Economic Development Specialist  
*Marketing and Outreach*  
U.S. Small Business Administration  
Seattle District Office

You won't want to miss this program and definitely bring a guest. We will limit the attendees to 25 so please make your reservations with DeLona Kent (871-0208) by April 9th.

Hope to see you on March 10 and April 14.

Please join me in bringing out the Best of POBPW and encourage others to join us!

Leslie

### **A Message from the Editor**

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we didn't issue a February newsletter in a timely manner. When only a small number of members had made reservations for the February meeting, we decided to cancel the planned program in order to not require our speakers to travel from Olympia for such a small group. We hope to have them come later in the year. My apologies for the lack of a February newsletter.

■ Barbara Luddon, Editor



**Port Orchard, Washington  
Business and Professional Women  
Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2015  
Lighthouse Café in Port Orchard  
Attendance: 7**

5:15 pm – Networking and ordering dinner.  
5:30 – Meeting called to order by President Leslie Cole.

**REPORTS:**

DeLona Kent gave the Treasurer's Report  
Copies of the approved minutes were emailed to everyone by Secretary Claudia Heckart.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Upcoming programs**, reported by Allison  
**How can we raise more money for scholarships?**  
Bunco game? Where? Wilma Eads volunteered to chair the project. Serve a snack, pay entrance fee. \$5? \$10? Include a White Elephant sale? Silent Auction? In April 25? President Leslie Cole will head up the games. Masonic Temple? Members can have a table of items to sell.

**Scholarship efforts:** Wilma and Lorrie working on that

**NEW BUSINESS:**

DeLona Kent moved that we submit a sponsor ad (\$100) through the Chamber of Commerce, which is circulated throughout the area. Claudia Heckart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Nominating Chair Needed?**

President - Leslie Cole  
Vice President – ask Kathie McGinnis  
Treasurer – DeLona Kent, with Barbara Luddon to work into the job  
Secretary - Claudia Heckart

Claudia Heckart will work with President Leslie Cole on our Facebook page.  
Foundation month is February.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Claudia Heckart,  
Secretary

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5:30 – Meeting called to order by President Leslie Cole; who also led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. An Inspiration was given by DeLona Kent, followed by Introduction of Members. (Posted at the end of the minutes.)

**REPORTS:**

DeLona Kent gave the Treasurer's Report  
Copies of the approved minutes were emailed to everyone by Secretary Claudia Heckart.

**OLD BUSINESS:** March and April meetings.

**March** – was planned for Young Careerist. No Young Careerist is available right now, nor is anyone available to chair it. Instead we will do a Member Spotlight on Claudia Heckart.

**April** - the topic will be Resources for Small Businesses, presented by Melanie Norton, Economic Development Specialist, Marketing and Outreach U.S. SBA

**Bunco party** - Do we really want to do it? It was decided to put it on hold for now. Perhaps we could do it in the Fall.

**Barnes & Noble** - Yes, all agreed to keep doing that.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Make an email address for public use on the website and on the Facebook group page. Officers will have the password so it can be monitored. People have to RSVP if they want to come to an event we've advertised, and it is not wise to have personal emails, or phone numbers, published online. This will solve the problem.
- How can we attract new members? Where do we go as an organization?
- Kitsap Fire chief coming to the March meeting.

Collect was said by all.  
Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Claudia Heckart,  
Secretary



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**2015**

- MARCH Women's History Month
- March 8 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 10 Port Orchard BPW Meeting
- March 17  St. Patrick's Day 
- March 20 Spring Begins
- April 5 Easter
- April 14 Port Orchard BPW Meeting
- April 25 Equal Pay Day
- May 10 Mother's Day
- May 16 Armed Forces Day
- May 25 Memorial Day (observed)
- May 29-31 State Conference, hosted by SouthWest Seattle BPW

